

WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE MERIT COMMISSION MINUTES
December 13, 2010

The West Lafayette Police Merit Commission met in regular session in the Lower Level Conference Room of City Hall on December 13, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Police Merit Commission President Leverenz called the meeting to order and presided.

PRESENT: Commissioners Corrigan, Leverenz, Troyer.

ABSENT: Kirkpatrick.

ALSO PRESENT: Commission Attorney Brooks, Police Captain Leroux

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Troyer moved to approve the minutes of November 8, 2010, meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Corrigan. Commission President Leverenz announced that the minutes would stand approved as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief's Report

In the absence of Chief Dombkowski, Captain Leroux distributed copies of the November 2010 report to the Council to the Commission members present.

Captain Leroux provided copies of the letter of commendation to the officers who were on the scene at the Pine Manor Apartments file. The officers were Lt. David VanVactor, Sgt. Arthur Choate, and Officers Nancy Hetrick, Jeffrey Dunscomb, David Smith, Daniel Griffin, J. Travis Morgan, and Adam Miller. These letters were placed in the permanent files of each individual.

Captain Leroux reported that Sergeant Watson, and Commissioners Corrigan and Troyer have gone through the applications of persons who passed the physical agility and written tests. They identified seven of 35-40 applicants for priority review. Background checks are being done now, with the goal of being finished in early January. After that, the Police Department will conduct interviews, before forwarding those to the Police Merit Commission for interviews. At that point, a second batch of applicants will have background checks done, etc.

Commission President Leverenz asked if there were currently vacancies in the Department. Captain Leroux answered that there are no openings at this time, but there will be one in January, with the retirement of Detective Jeff Ray about January 18. The goal is to fill that vacancy from the group of seven currently undergoing background checks. The PMC interviews likely will take place in late January or early February.

Captain Leroux mentioned that the Department was not successful in obtaining a COPS FAST [Community Oriented Policing Services - Funding Accelerated for Smaller Towns] Grant, which would have funded an officer for three years.

NEXT MEETING

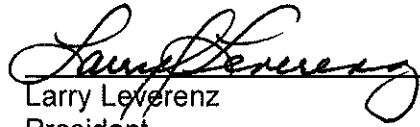
January 10, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. Commission President Leverenz distributed copies of the 2011 meeting schedule.

ANNOUNCEMENT

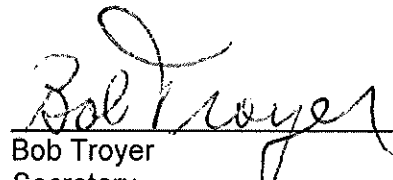
Commission President Leverenz stated that Police Chief Dombkowski's mother passed away on December 10.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Corrigan moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Troyer. Commission President Leverenz adjourned the meeting, the time being 7:15 p.m.



Larry Leverenz
President



Bob Troyer
Secretary